

OPINION 1731

Monograptus crenulatus (currently *Monoclimacis crenulata*; Graptolithina): specific name attributed to Elles & Wood, 1911, and a lectotype designated

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *crenulatus* Törnquist, 1881, as published in the binomen *Monograptus crenulatus*, and all uses of that name prior to its publication by Elles & Wood (1911), are hereby suppressed for the purposes of both the Principle of Priority and the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The name *crenulatus* Elles & Wood, 1911, as published in the trinomen *Monograptus vomerinus crenulatus* and as defined by specimen no. BU 1555 in Birmingham University, Birmingham, U.K. (figured by Elles & Wood, 1911, text fig. 278a) hereby designated as the lectotype, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *crenulatus* Törnquist, 1881, as published in the binomen *Monograptus crenulatus* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2826

An application to conserve the specific name of *Monograptus crenulatus* in its accepted usage by attributing it to Elles & Wood (1911) was received from Drs D.K. Loydell (*Institute of Earth Studies, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, Wales*), E.E. Bull (*Grant Institute of Geology, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland*) and P. Štorch (*Geological Survey, Praha, Czech Republic*) on 15 July 1991. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 49: 46–48 (March 1992). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 1992 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 49: 47. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1993 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 25: Bayer, Bock, Bouchet, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Kabata, Kraus, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 4: Holthuis, Lehtinen, Macpherson and Thompson.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

crenulatus, *Monograptus*, Törnquist, 1881, *Geologiska Föreningens i Stockholm Förhandlingar*, 5: 438.

crenulatus, *Monograptus vomerinus*, Elles & Wood, 1911, *Palaeontographical Society (Monograph)*, p. 412.